

AUTOMOBILE ROAD SKILLS TEST TERMINATION LIST

August 1, 2003 (Front)

Incomplete Test - Documents: Failure to provide driver license documents and vehicle documents will result in an incomplete test.

Incomplete Test - Equipment: Failure to provide a vehicle meeting mandatory safety standards will result in an incomplete test.

The following safety equipment guidelines will be used when administering the automobile skills test. For inspection purposes, safety equipment is divided into two categories, mandatory and discretionary. Mandatory safety equipment appears in **bold** print and discretionary safety equipment is not. All components listed must be checked each time a test is administered (no exceptions). **If any mandatory safety equipment is missing or inoperative, the test must be terminated.** If any discretionary safety equipment is missing or inoperative, the examiner will consider weather conditions and general passenger safety using their fair and reasonable judgment to determine whether or not the vehicle is safe enough to be used during the skills test.

Horn

Headlights (low beam)/Taillights

Turn signals (front and rear)

Brake lights (including center-mount rear brake on 1986 and newer models)

Brakes

Windshield (examiners may refuse to administer a skills test if the vehicle's windshield is cracked to the degree that it obstructs vision and/or renders the vehicle unsafe)

Tires

Windshield wipers/washers

Left outside and inside rearview mirrors

Seats/safety belts

Speedometer

Other – includes, but not limited to the following components: fluid leaks, defective muffler/exhaust, suspension system, doors (the driver and passenger doors should open from the inside and outside), heater/defroster, and fuel level.

Incomplete test - Other

Offer of bribe or gratuity: If a bribe or gratuity is offered any time during the testing process, the skills test will be terminated immediately and should be reported in writing to DTTD.

Other non-performance reasons must be documented on score sheet why test was terminated (emergency, illness, weather, etc.).

Basic Control Skills – Point accumulation: If an applicant accumulates more than six (6) errors on the BCS exercises, the test will be terminated and recorded as a performance failure.

Basic Control Skills – Disregard Instructions/Failure to Perform Maneuver in Good Faith: If the applicant intentionally fails to follow instructions, document a verbal warning on the score sheet and ask them to repeat the exercise. If the applicant refuses to perform any maneuver in good faith (purposely avoiding performing the maneuver as instructed), after one documented warning will result in an automatic failure. Failure to follow instructions should not be confused with failure to understand instructions. If the driver does not understand the instruction, you may read the instruction over without penalty.

Basic Control Skills – Other

Any traffic crash may be grounds for the test to terminate immediately. Document specifics on score sheet. Crashes resulting in injury must be reported in writing to DTTD.

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Driving – Points

A failing score for performance during the driving phase of the automobile skills test is twenty-six (26) points or more.

Driving – Disregard instructions

Applicant refuses to wear safety belt. Unless the applicant has a physician's statement or waiver, they must wear a safety belt at all times during the skills test. Refusal to do so will result in test termination.

Interpreter continues to provide applicant with unnecessary communication (after **one warning** documented on score sheet).

Driving – Dangerously inexperienced

Applicant is unable to use gas/brake/clutch/gear shift safely (standard transmission).

Applicant is unable to use gas/brake/gear shift safely (automatic transmission).

Drives consistently **10 mph under** the **regulatory speed limit** (unless traffic or weather conditions warrant such behavior). You must have documented on the score sheet **one warning**.

Uncontrolled steering resulting in travel off paved portion of the road or travel in opposing traffic lane.

Any loss of vehicle control requiring examiner intervention.

Driving – Traffic violation – Disregard Traffic Control Device (DTCD)

Run a red light, flashing red light or stop sign.

Fail to stop for a railroad signal or drive around railroad gate.

Turn left or right on red when prohibited.

Turn left or right from the wrong lane.

Drive the wrong way on a one-way street.

Drive on the wrong side of street.

Driving – Traffic violation – Speed

Speed (**4-9mph**) over the regulatory speed limit (white regulatory sign) or the "basic speed limit" (reasonable and prudent for road and weather conditions). You must have documented on the score sheet **one warning**.

Speed **10mph** or more over the posted regulatory speed limit sign (white regulatory sign) or the "basic control limit" (reasonable and prudent for road and weather conditions) with **no warning** necessary.

Drive **under 45mph** on the expressway (unless traffic or weather conditions warrant such behavior).

Driving – Traffic violation – Failed to yield

Fail to yield (adversely affecting traffic/pedestrians).

Fail to yield right of way to a funeral procession.

Driving – Hazardous Action

Examiner, parent/guardian warns or prevents dangerous action or traffic violation.

Examiner, parent/guardian or other roadway users prevent traffic crash.

Applicant creates a serious hazard for other traffic.

Driving – Crash

Any crash the applicant's actions were contributory will result in termination of the test. Crashes the applicant actions were non-contributory may result in termination of the test depending upon passenger and vehicle condition. All crashes must be reported in writing to DTTD immediately.

Driving – Other

Passing a stopped school bus with red flashing lights engaged.

Fail to stop for an emergency vehicle.

Improper passing.

Follow too close (after **one documented warning** on the score sheet).

Non-Failing Speeding Violations

The following speeding violations will result in driving test errors with appropriate comments documented on the score sheet. There are no warnings or automatic failures associated with these violations:

Speeding 1-3mph over the posted regulatory speed limit or basic speed law.

Exceeding a caution advisory speed limit.